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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This Response is in response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2004.

The Examiner required restriction of the invention to either Claims 1-13 (drawn to a fragmentation-resistance instrument panel) or to Claims 14-34 (drawn to a method).

Applicant elects the invention of Claims 1-13 drawn to a fragmentation-resistance instrument panel without traverse.

It is respectfully submitted that the above-identified application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the claims are respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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